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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshio SUGIMOTO

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 24, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 24, 2004. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to October 25, 2004 (October 24 being a Sunday).

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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